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METHOD FOR REMOVAL OF Mn FROM COBALT SULFATE SOLUTION

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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